

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
APO 500

AG 000.92 (27 Dec 48)GC-0
SCAPIN 1957

6 January 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT: Earthquake Reports and Tidal Wave Forecasts

1. Effective upon receipt of this memorandum, the Japanese Government is responsible that the Central Meteorological Observatory, Ministry of Transportation, furnish to the Occupation Forces, geophysical reporting and forecasting service as hereinafter specified.

2. a. In each instance that an earthquake of intensity 3, or greater, is recorded by the instruments of the Central Meteorological Observatory or its subordinate reporting stations, an immediate report will be made to the Occupation Forces. This report will contain the following information:

- (1) The intensity of the earthquake.
- (2) The location of the epicenter of the earthquake.
- (3) The time the earthquake occurred, expressed in Greenwich Mean Time.
- (4) Whether or not a tidal wave will result from the reported disturbance.
- (5) If a tidal wave is forecast to result from the quake, the estimated size of the wave and a forecast of what areas will be affected by the wave.

b. The required report will be prepared with the utmost speed consistent with technical accuracy, and will be transmitted by telephone to the Haneda Weather Central, Haneda Airport, telephone number Cargo 391. The telephone report will be confirmed in writing in English.

c. The Central Meteorological Observatory will be prepared to render the above required telephone report at any hour of the day or night. It is required that the telephone report be transmitted with minimum delay, and that the data necessary to make the report be assembled with the greatest urgency.

3. The written confirmation of the telephone report will be prepared in duplicate and will be delivered to the Central Liaison and Coordination Office at such time that it will be delivered to General

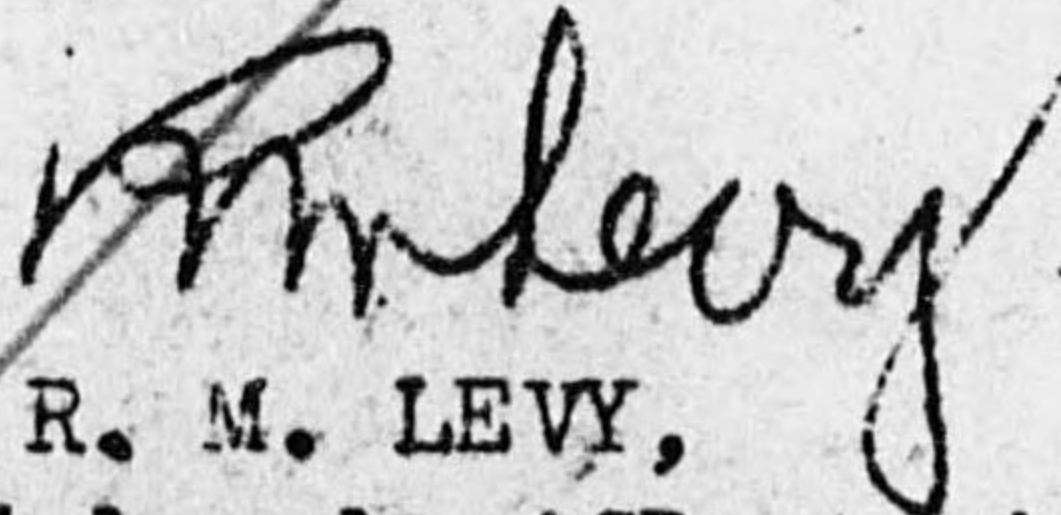
*Rescinded by Scapin 2049
3 Oct 49*

AG 000.92 (27 Dec 48)GC-0
SCAPIN 1957

Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers not later than the day following the day in which the earthquake occurred.

4. Direct communication between the 2143d Air Weather Wing and the Central Meteorological Observatory, regarding matters within the scope of this memorandum, is authorized.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:


R. M. LEVY,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.